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Dear [REDACTED]

This is a final reply to your letter of 9 June 1982 in which you requested, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), National Intelligence Estimates for the period November 1956 to May 1961 which report on Cuba only. You had specified your interest in receiving only pages that relate to relations between the United States and Cuba, Cuban relations with other countries, and internal events in Cuba.

We have conducted searches, located material and made the following review determinations:

The following NIE's have had no deletions of material and are released to you in their entirety: SNIE 85-58 (24 November 1958), SNIE 85/1-58 (16 December 1958), SNIE 85-60 (22 March 1960), and SNIE 85-61 (28 November 1961).

The remaining NIE's have had material deleted under the criteria of exemption provisions (b)(1) and (b)(3) of the FOIA. In addition, there was material which was not treated as it was not responsive to the subject of your request. This material is still classified and has been removed. No exemptions are claimed for that material designated (NA) in the text. These estimates include: NIE 89/90-61 (18 July 1961), NIE 85-2-60 (14 June 1960), SNIE 80/1-59 (29 December 1959), SNIE 100-3-59 (10 March 1959), SNIE 85-3-59 (8 December 1959), SNIE 80-59 (30 June 1959), and NIE 80-57 (23 April 1957). All documents, declassified and sanitized, are enclosed in reversed chronological sequence as Tab A. At Tab B we enclose an explanation of the exemptions.

The official responsible for these decisions is Mr. Paul Marr, Information Review Officer for the Directorate of Intelligence. Coordinations were effected with the Departments of State and Defense.

I am informing you of your right to appeal the above decisions by addressing your appeal to the CIA Information Review Committee, in my care. Should you decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

Fees incurred for document search and reproduction amount to \$24.10. Please remit a check or money order for this amount to this office, made payable to the Treasurer of the United States. Please cite F82-0463 so that we can properly credit your account.

We wish to apologize for the length of time it has taken us to complete the processing of your request. We have been inundated, however, by a large number of requests over the past several years. Under the circumstances, we can only do our best to apportion our time and efforts in a manner calculated to satisfy all of our requesters. Thus, we have adopted the policy of first-received, first-answered. Thank you for your patience and consideration while we were completing the processing of your request.

Sincerely,

~~/s/ Larry R. Strawderman~~

Larry R. Strawderman
Information and Privacy Coordinator

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